(b) Due to the killing of the Chief Engineer and a Superintending Engineer of the project, the work came to a complete halt.

(c) Government of Punjab has already been advised to engage appropriate Agency/Agencies to complete balance works of SYL in Punjab.

Agreement between India and Nepal on Construction of Barrage over Rivers

2607. SHRI GAYA SINGH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that India and Nepal had agreed for the construction of barrage over rivers coming to India in order to control floods;

(b) if so, the actual progress regarding this; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) (a) to (c) No, Sir. Construction of barrage on rivers coming from Nepal is not under consideration between India and Nepal. However, cooperation on some water resources projects are under consideration between the two countries. The actual progress of the projects depends on the cooperation that would be forthcoming from Nepal.

इंदिरा सागर परियोजना

2608. श्री कैलाश नारायण सारंग: क्या जल संसाधन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या नर्मदा घाटी परिसर में इंदिरा सागर परियोजना के निर्माण हेतु कोई प्रस्ताव विचाराधीन है;

(ख) क्या मध्य प्रदेश सरकार द्वारा इस परियोजना को राष्ट्रीय परियोजना के रूप में स्वीकृत किये जाने के संबंध में कोई प्रस्ताव भेजा गया है; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो सरकार ने क्या निर्णय लिया है अथवा कब तक निर्णय लिये जाने की संभावना है?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय तथा जल संसाधन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री पी. के. थुंगन) (क) मध्य प्रदेश में, नर्मदा नदी पर इंदिरा सागर परियोजना पहले से ही निर्माणाधीन है।

(ख) और (ग) जी हां। यद्यपि इंदिरा सागर परियोजना राष्ट्रीय महत्व की परियोजना है फिर भी सिंचाई क्षेत्र में किसी भी परियोजना को "राष्ट्रीय परियोजना" घोषित नहीं किया गया है।

Projects Receiving External Assistance in Orissa

2609. SHRI BHAGABAN MAJHI: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the names and the number of projects in Orissa receiving external assistance;

(b) the amount of Central assistance received by those projects so far;

(c) the progress made in the completion of those projects; and

(d) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) (a) to (d) The details of the Irrigation Projects in Orissa being implemented with external assistance are as under:—

In addition, Orissa is also one of the participating States in the World Bank aided Multistate "National Water Management

Name of the Project	Funding Agency	Amount of Assistance Committed	Utilisation Upto May, 94	Credit Closing date
			(In Million)	
Upper Kolab Irrigation Project	OECF, Japan	Yen 3769.00	Yen 1681.80	20.7.98
Upper Indravati Irrigation Project	CECF, Japan	Yen 3744.00	Yen 1158.80	20.1.99
Orissa Lift Irrigation Project	Kfw, Germany	DM 55.00	DM 5.90	30.12.2020

Project" and 'Dam Safety Project'. The Central Assistance is released to the state Government enblock and not tied up to individual projects.

Sea Erosion Zones

2610. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have identified the sea erosion zones in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State and Union Territory-wise;

(c) the extent of land in the State of Orissa which falls under the sea-erosion zones;

(d) the steps taken by Government to check further erosion of land from sea in that State; and

(e) the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON) (a) and (b) The maritime States have identified the erosion prone coastal reaches with critical spots. It is reported that 560 Kilometre Coast line of Kerala and 300 kilometre coast line in Karnataka is subjected to sea erosion. In other maritime States, erosion prone coastal reaches are confined to isolated locations.

(c) to (e) As reported by the State Government, the Orissa Coast is experiencing erosion in some reaches confined mostly to the areas north of Paradeep Port, Hukitola Island. The erosion is also experienced at Gopalpur, Chilka lake mouth, Kushabhadra river mouth, Jatadhor Mohana and Penta Satabhaya region.

The protection against coastal erosion is the responsibility of the State Government. A number of steps by way of construction of anti-sea-erosion works like see walls, revetments have been undertaken by the Government of Orissa to check erosion of the Coast.

Renovation and Rehabilitation of Irrigation Projects in Orissa

2611. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the renovation and rehabilitation of irrigation projects in Orissa have not been undertaken effectively;

(b) if so, the main factors responsible therefor;

(c) whether the constraint of resources is the main reason; and

(d) if so, the steps taken to enhance allocation of funds to Orissa for the renovation and rehabilitation of the irrigation projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) to (d) The Planning Commission has earmarked an outlay of Rs. 157.79 crores for 16 ongoing modernisation schemes of orissa in VIII Plan. In addition an outlay of Rs. 35 crores has been provided for new modernisation schemes of orissa in VIII Plan.

Cooperation with Japan for Irrigation

2612. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have established cooperation with Japan in the field of irrigation;

(b) if so, the number of irrigation programme projects funded by the Government of Japan;

(c) whether any such project is located in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) Two Irrigation Projects, namely, Upper Indravati Irrigation Project and Upper Kolab Irrigation Project in Orissa are being implemented with the Japanese loan assistance of Yen 3774 Million and Yen 3769 Million respectively.